Planning Commission Forum Zoning/Subdivision Ordinance Update August 24, 2010

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As you know, Verizon Wireless is a FCC licensed wireless telecommunications carrier. It provides a vital service to the citizens of James City County and is a well regarded corporate citizen.

- 1. Verizon has been actively engaged in the recent Comprehensive Plan review and adoption process.
- 2. Verizon understands the desire to review existing County ordinances and to evaluate changes that may be incorporated.
- 3. Verizon is interested in providing the industry perspective to the process as the Wireless Communication Facilities Ordinance is examined. I believe everyone is aware of the significant benefits a robust communications network will have for County businesses and citizens.
- 4. Verizon is familiar with the current ordinance and intends to have constructive suggestions on improvements as the County undertakes this study.
- 5. We look forward to working with the staff and Planning Commission and being an active participant in the process. We trust the end result will encourage and promote the enhancement of wireless services to the citizens and businesses of James City County.